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OPENING

Time: 6:00 PM

Pledge of Allegiance: Ted Everingham (running the meeting in President Gary's absence).

Invocation: Ron Vitale

GUESTS

None.

VISITING ROTARIANS

None

BIRTHDAYS

Dave Colton (11/10).

ANNIVERSARIES

Dick Dunlap, 3 years.

ROVING REPORTER

Tom Youngblood

-- The Detroit Historical Society honored Bob Bury by naming a room after him at the museum.

-- Julie Baumer's very large puppy has graduated from doggy preschool and is ready to move on.

-- The MI Humane Society will waive all adoption fees this month for animals over 7 years old. For more information, contact Bob Lucas.

-- The Grunyons and Noteworthy (Acapella groups) will be performing at a December 4th concert at GP United Methodist Church. Contact Phil Mackethan to purchase tickets.

-- GP Congregational Church has a groundbreaking ceremony this Saturday for a handicapped accessible addition to the church.

-- There is a Family Center program about security awareness for the international traveler at 7:00 PM on 11/15 at the GP Shores City Hall.

-- The GP Library Ewald Branch will be having a children's book sale from 11:00 AM to 4:00 PM on 11/23.

-- Ted Everingham's granddaughter, a freshman at U of M, has already had a second article published (with byline) in the Michigan Daily.

SUNSHINE NEWS

-- No news.

OIL CAN

-- Postponed.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

-- Diane Strickler thanked the 16 members who have signed up to drop off a cooked turkey for Crossroads.

-- Volunteers are needed to marshall the GP Santa Clause Parade on 11/23. If able to help, contact Bob Lucas.

-- The community affairs committee is meeting at 7:00 PM on 11/26 at GP Congregational Church.

-- Operation Warm: 800 coats are being picked up for distribution on 11/15 and an order of 1,200 was just made. 4,000 coats will be handed out this year. Peter Stroh wrote a nice article about this great project in the Grosse Pointe Magazine.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

-- A sign-up sheet was passed around for Detroit AM Rotary's annual coffee fundraiser. Remember to bring your checkbook to place the order at the 11/28 meeting.

-- Roger McNeill Annual Raffle. Be sure to sell your tickets to family and friends over the holiday.

-- The nominees for the club board and the foundation board were announced. The election will take place on December 12th.

VOCATIONAL TALK

-- Julie Baumer. Born and raised in Detroit, Julie is a realtor with Coldwell Banker. She appreciates

the flexibility her job gives her to care for her father and is enjoying Rotary.

TODAY'S PROGRAM

Michael Spence, Policy Planner for the Southeast Michigan Council of Governments (SEMCOG).

SEMCOG is made up of a 7 county region (www.semco.org). Its purpose is to support coordinated local planning with technical, data, and intergovernmental resources. Its plans help improve the quality of the region's environmental resources, make the transportation system safer and more efficient, revitalize communities, and encourage economic development. SEMCOG coordinates local projects and its source of funding is from the federal and state governments that help pay for these projects.

Mr. Spence focused on two projects: (1) *Walk, Bike, Drive Safe* which educates the public and provides traffic accident data to its membership. (2) *Parkfinder App* which can be downloaded to search our 2,600 parks for activities on land and water trails.

FLOWER RAFFLE

\$1,112 in the pot with \$556 going to Liz Vogel if she picked the joker. Alas, it remains hidden. Thank you to Charvat The Florist for the beautiful arrangement.

CALENDAR

Nov 21: No meeting

Nov 28: Brian Peterson-Roest, Founder of Bees in the D